

FORT DODGE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

\$3.9 million needed for relocation Governor has recommended start-up funding for FY 06

The **Fort Dodge Residential Facility** provides housing for 34 adult male offenders placed on probation, work release, parole or in the OWI Treatment Program.

The staff of the **Fort Dodge Probation and Parole Office** supervises 735 offenders in Webster, Hamilton, Humboldt and Wright Counties.

By relocating our operations and increasing the capacity of the Residential Facility, we will:

Reduce Occupancy Costs: New construction would save over \$250,000 in today's dollars after 20 years, when applying net present value calculations. (\$1.7 million in undiscounted cash flow savings) This figure would increase to \$1.5 million in today's dollars, NPV, after 50 years.

Reduce the Daily Cost of a Residential Facility stay:

FY04 cost/offender at capacity of 34:	\$56.09 (no food service)
Est. FY06 cost/offender at capacity of 50:	\$54.08 (with food service operation added)

Reduce prison overcrowding by shortening the time offenders wait for admission to the Facility

- Return offenders to being productive, tax-paying citizens
- Reduce cost to State and county of holding offenders awaiting placement
- Contribute to public safety

Provide services for women offenders and offenders with disabilities

- Help local women offenders maintain ties with families and build support systems to help them succeed when released from the Facility
- Provide a safe environment for housing offenders with physical disabilities

Help staff work more efficiently

- Design for efficient use of technology and support services
- Provide adequate space for Probation and Parole Officers to meet with offenders and others involved with their supervision

Involve more offenders in activities that increase accountability to victims and the community

- Research shows that appropriate programming for offenders reduces risk of re-offense
- Currently only one room to use for offender group programming, meetings and staff training
- With more space we can provide more offender programs and services to the community

For back-up documentation on cost calculations or other information, please contact:

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